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SUBJECT: LOS: MEETING OF SALMON GROUP

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1. IN RESPONSE TO CONTINUING SOVIET INSISTENCE, USDEL (CLINGAN) HOSTED MEETING OF SALMON GROUP ON MORNING OF APRIL 27, ATTENDED BY US, UK, USSR, JAPAN, CANADA, NORWAY, ICELAND AND IRELAND. DANISH REP COULD NOT ATTEND DUE TO SCHEDULE CONFLICT.

2. DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON USSR ALTERNATIVE (SECOND) PROPOSAL CABLED REFTEL.

3. UK, CANADA, IRELAND, ICELAND AND NORWAY INDICATED VIEW THAT USSR PROPOSAL WAS AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE ICNT TEXT AND
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WAS ACCEPTABLE, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME STRESSING THAT UNANIMITY IN THE GROUP WAS INDISPENSABLE, AT RISK OF LOSING ARTICLE 66 ALTOGETHER. BOTH UK AND USSR REPORTED THAT DANISH DELEGATION FOUND THE PROPOSAL ACCEPTABLE.

4. JAPAN NOTED THAT IT HAD JUST RECEIVED A COPY OF THE SOVIET PROPOSAL AND, PREDICTABLY, WOULD HAVE TO SEEK

INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO. (WHILE USSR HAD NOT FORMALLY PROVIDED A COPY OF THIS DRAFT TO THE JAPANESE DELEGATION PRIOR TO THE MEETING, IT APPEARS CLEAR FROM PRIVATE CONSULTATIONS THAT THEY HAD RECEIVED A PREVIEW FROM OTHERS.) THE JAPANESE DELEGATION DID, HOWEVER, ENTER INTO A CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE USSR, RAISING THREE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES: (A) THE EFFECT OF DELETING "FISHING THESE STOCKS" FROM PARA 2; (B) WHILE THE ADDITION OF THE WORDS ADDED TO PARA 3(A) DEALING WITH THE NEEDS OF THE STATE OF ORIGIN MAY BE SUPERFLUOUS, THE FINE BALANCE OF THE ARTICLE MAY BE DISTURBED: AND (C) THE WORD "MAY" IN THE NEW PARA 3(A) IS TOO PERMISSIVE.

5. CANADA AND NORWAY EXPRESSED VIEW THAT USE OF "MAY BE PERMITTED" IN SOVIET PROPOSAL WAS MORE POSITIVE AS TO LEGITIMACY OF HIGH SEAS FISHERY THAN IS THE MORE IMPLICIT LANGUAGE OF THE ICNT. GROUP IN GENERAL HAD PRELIMINARILY READ SOVIET PROPOSAL TO REPLACE "FISHING THESE STOCKS" WITH "REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 3(C) AND 4 OF THIS ARTICLE" AS ELIMINATING A REQUIREMENT FOR THE USSS TO CONSULT WITH THE JAPANESE AS TO ESTABLISHMENT OF TOTAL ALLOWABLE CATCH. AFTER CANADA NOTED THE NONBINDING CHARACTER OF "CONSULTATIONS," AND SUGGESTED THAT PROPOSAL BE AMENDED TO ADD PARA 3(B) TO THOSE STATES TO BE CONSULTED, THE USSR NOTED THAT JAPAN WOULD QUALIFY UNDER ITS PROPOSAL DUE TO THE REFERENCE TO PARA 4 AS SOVIET ORIGIN SALMON MIGRATE

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WITHIN 200 MILES OF JAPAN (ALSO NOTING WITH A GRIN THAT ON THE BASIS OF THE BEST SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION IT IS NOT CLEAR THAT SOVIET SALMON MIGRATE WITHIN 200 MILES OF THE U.S.)

6. THE MEETING ENDED ON AN UNPRECEDENTED POSITIVE NOTE, WITH A SECOND MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE MORNING OF TUESDAY, MAY 2.

7. COMMENT. WHILE THE FORMAL POSITION OF THE JAPANESE IS YET TO BE HEARD, IT APPEARS FROM THE TONE OF THE DISCUSSION THAT WE MAY BE CLOSE TO AN AGREEMENT ALONG THE LINES OF THE SOVIET ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL. RICHARDSON

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